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CALENDAR

VOLUNTEER ORIENTATION SESSION

JULY 16, 2009

6:00 pm - 9:00 pm 101 Monroe Street Lobby Level Auditorium Rockville, Maryland 20850

Visit our table at the following events and get answers to your recycling questions:

OLNEY NATIONAL NIGHT OUT

AUGUST 4, 2009

5:00 pm - 8:30 pm Olney Towne Center 1800 Town Center Drive Olney, Maryland 20832

MONTGOMERY COUNTY **AGRICULTUAL FAIR**

AUGUST 14-22, 2009

16 Chestnut Street Gaithersburg, Maryland 20877





Montgomery County Celebrates Recycling Awareness Week

The Montgomery County Division of Solid Waste Services (DSWS) hosted its tenth annual Recycling Awareness Week from May 18th through May 22nd. DSWS planned special events throughout the week to support and applaud ongoing recycling efforts and achievements made by schools, businesses, multi-family properties, and recycling program volunteers in Montgomery County.

Recognizing Businesses and Their Recycling Achievements

This year's annual Recycling Awards Recognition Program was held on Thursday, May 21st at the Bethesda North Marriott Conference Center. At this event 50 businesses, organizations, and individuals, 20 multi-family properties and/or property managers and seven Recycling Program volunteers were honored in various categories of recycling excellence. The ceremony included remarks from Montgomery County's Department of Environmental Protection Director, Robert Hoyt; DSWS Waste Reduction and Recycling Section Chief, Eileen Kao; and DSWS Recycling Coordinator, Alan Pultyniewicz. Mr. Scott Horne, Vice President of Government Affairs and General Counsel for the Institute of Scrap Recycling Industries was one of the event's keynote speakers. His presentation focused on the value of scrap metal and the current status of markets for recyclable materials in the current economy. His bottom line: keep recycling...the markets will always fluctuate.

Businesses that recycled at least fifty percent of their waste stream in calendar year 2008 were awarded the Excellence in Recycling Award. The Business Individual Outstanding Achievement in Recycling Award was given to those individuals who demonstrated outstanding efforts in implementing or improving the recycling, waste reduction and/or buying recycled programs at their place of business. Businesses that were recognized for their outstanding efforts in implementing or improving their recycling, waste reduction or buying recycled programs were honored with the Business Outstanding Achievement in Recycling Award. A complete list of award winners is shown on page 3.









Outstanding achievement was awarded to each of the following businesses (Top to bottom) National Naval Medical Center, Clark Office Building, Duffie, Inc., and McCor-



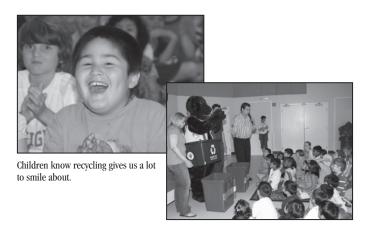
Raise Your Handl



In 2009, DSWS selected 11
Montgomery County public
schools and one private
school to hold an educational
assembly on the benefits of
recycling and waste reduction.
Public schools visited were
selected based on their
performance on their recent
recycling infrastructure

evaluations. One private institution, the Jefferson School, was identified by DSWS staff who evaluated its recycling performance.

The assembly showcased the benefits of waste reduction and recycling and included an interactive educational presentation entitled "The Magic of Recycling" which taught the students the importance of recycling in a fun-filled way. Students also participated in a play about the future of a village with excess garbage, showing them the value of recycling and buying recycled products now to conserve resources for later. As an added treat, Rocco the Recycling Retriever joined County staff to educate young students about recycling and also helped sort recyclable materials into the correct containers.



The Magic of Recycling show visited the following schools during Recycling Awareness Week 2009:

- ★ Glenallan Elementary School
- ★ Montgomery Knolls Elementary School
- ★ Cannon Road Elementary School
- **★** Cold Spring Elementary School
- ★ Ritchie Park Elementary School
- **★** Bells Mill Elementary School
- ★ S. Christa McAuliffe Elementary School
- ★ Spark M. Matsunaga Elementary School
- Diamond Elementary School
- ★ Jones Lane Elementary School
- **★** The Jefferson School
- Rosemont Elementary School

Art with a Recycling Message

As part of Recycling Awareness Week celebrations, DSWS hosted a school recycling poster contest awards reception for Montgomery County Public School students. This year's theme was "Make A Difference: Reduce, Reuse, Recycle!" and hundreds of entries were received from students all over Montgomery County. First-, second-, and third-place winners and honorable mentions were chosen based on creativity, use of theme, spelling and overall artistic ability for the age level. A total of 28 students were recognized on Tuesday, May 19 in Rockville, Maryland.





Congratulations to Lois Shin (top) from Sherwood ES and Michael Carrion (bottom) from Brown Station ES for submitting award winning posters.



Euro Motorcars, Excellence in Recycling Award winner 2009.





R.A. Zimmerman & Sons, Excellence in Recycling Award winner 2009.

OUTSTANDING ACHIEVEMENT (Business)

Businesses that set up stellar recycling, buying recycled, and/or waste reduction programs in 2008.

- **★** BAE Systems, 1601 Research Boulevard, Rockville
- ★ Brookfield Properties, Silver Spring Metro Plaza & Metro Plaza I
- * Clark Office Building, LLC
- * Daly Computers, Inc.
- Duffie, Inc.
- **★** Henry M. Jackson Foundation, U.S. Military HIV Research Program
- **★** McCormick Paints
- * National Naval Medical Center
- * The Nora School
- * Potomac Ridge Behavioral Health
- * Scuderi Auto Body, Inc.
- * St. Elizabeth Church & School
- * Tastee Diner, Inc.
- **★** TW Perry (Chevy Chase Store)
- **★** U.S. Department of Health & Human Services
- **★** Walter Reed Army Institute of Research
- ★ Whole Foods Market

OUTSTANDING ACHIEVEMENT (Individual)

Individuals that went above and beyond the County's expectations to set up, or improve the recycling program at their business.

- * Ramona de la Peña, Peel Properties
- * Robert Dornan, *Tishman Speyer Properties*
- * Ana Fannon, Washington Real Estate Investment Trust
- ★ Maria Fano, Alexandria Real Estate Equities, Inc.
- * Arthur Koenig, *OBA Bank*
- * Brittany Limmer, Matan Property Management
- **★** Julio Tamayo, Home Depot Store #2558



(Left to right) Robert Hoyt, Director, Department of Environmental Protection, Eileen Kao, Chief, DSWS Waste Reduction and Recycling Section, Individual Outstanding Achievement Award winner Brittany Limmer, and Alan Pultyniewicz, DSWS, Recycling Coordinator.

EXCELLENCE IN RECYCLING

Businesses that recycled at least fifty percent of their waste stream in 2008.

- * 5635 Fishers Lane, Rockville
- * 7900 Wisconsin Avenue, Bethesda
- * 9200, 9211, 9221 Corporate Boulevard, Rockville
- * 9801 Washingtonian Office, Inc.
- ★ Bethesda Place
- **★** BioReliance
- * The Bureau of National Affairs, Inc.
- Calvert Group
- * Capitol Cable & Technology, Inc.
- **☀** Discovery Communications
- ***** EU Services
- **★** Euro Motorcars
- **★** General Conference Corporation of the Seventh-Day Adventists
- **★** Howard Hughes Medical Institute
- **★** Hughes Network Systems, LLC
- **★** The Humane Society of the United States
- * The Izaak Walton League of America
- **☀** J. Craig Venter Institute
- * Kensington Antique Village
- * Montgomery College
- **★** My Organic Market
- * Ourisman Honda
- * R.A. Zimmerman & Sons (Burtonsville Store)
- * Silver Spring Data Center
- * St. Martin of Tours Church & School
- **☀** United Therapeutics Corporation

Want Your Business to be Here Next Year?

Does your business currently have a recycling program in place? Would you like to find out how you can make improvements to your recycling program and possibly be recognized at next year's annual Recycling Achievement Awards Ceremony? SORRT staff members are available to meet with you and help your business start a recycling program or improve your current recycling efforts. Call (240) 777-6400 for more information today.



There's always time for recycling...

Recycling Checklist

Commercial properties and businesses must recycle the following materials if these products are generated:

MIXED OR SORTED PAPER



White Paper & Colored Paper



Cardboard, Boxboard, & Cereal Boxes



Newspaper & Inserts



Magazines & Catalogs



Telephone, Paperback, & Hardcover Books



Unwanted Mail & Envelopes with or without windows



Shredded Paper & All Other Clean, Dry Paper

COMMINGLED CONTAINERS



Glass Bottles & Jars



Aluminum Cans & Foil Products



Bi-Metal Food & Beverage Cans



Plastic Bottles & Containers (Including tubs, jars, lids, pails, buckets, and flower pots.)





YARD TRIM

(Grass, Leaves, and Brush)



CHRISTMAS TREES



SCRAP METAL

Businesses are encouraged to voluntarily recycle the following materials:

- Toner Cartridges
- Pallets
- Computers
- **Batteries**

www.montgomerycountymd.gov/recycling

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and Recyclable Paper Printed on Recycled



calling Gabriela Monzon-Reynolds at (240) 777-6400. This information is available in an alternate format by

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County Recycling Center

0959-777 (042) County Transfer Station

0049-777 (042)

Recycling for Multi-Family Properties

0049-777 (042)

Recycling for Businesses

e-mail: recycle@montgomerycountymd.gov www.montgomerycountymd.gov/recycling

(240) 777-6465 (fax)

(240) 777-6442 (tty)

0049-777 (042)

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Focus On: Recycling at Special Events



The next time you host or manage a special event in Montgomery County, don't forget to provide the means for your participants, exhibitors, and patrons to recycle. Recycling is good for the environment, saves natural resources, conserves water and energy and it's the law in Montgomery County. Properly designed, a recycling program can reduce the costs associated with trash collection and disposal. Here are some examples of special events where recycling programs will need to be implemented:

- Church Picnics
- Concerts
- Fairs and Festivals
- Farmers' Markets
- Golf Tournaments
- Outdoor Movie Nights
- Parades
- Running Races/ Walk-a-thons
- Youth/Adult Soccer/Lacrosse Tournaments

Montgomery County Executive Regulation (ER) 15-04AM requires all businesses, multi-family properties, and individuals to recycle specific materials. So, if your special event will generate any of the following materials, you will need to arrange for proper collection and recycling:

Mixed paper (white paper/office paper/colored paper, shredded paper, corrugated cardboard/boxboard, newspapers/inserts, magazines/catalogs, telephone directories/paperback and hard-cover books, unwanted mail/envelopes, and all other clean and dry paper)

Commingled materials, including: glass bottles and jars, aluminum cans and foil products, bi-metal (steel/tin) food and beverage cans, plastic bottles, containers, jars, tubs, lids, pails, buckets, and flower pots

Scrap metal (ferrous and non-ferrous metal items)

Yard trim (grass, leaves, garden trimmings and brush)

Good planning is key to recycling at special events and organizers should begin this process at least one year in advance to ensure they understand the County's recycling requirements. It is also important to develop a structured plan and appoint a recycling coordinator for the event.



Be sure to strategize recycling and refuse collection logistics by checking with the venue at contract signing, to determine if they will offer recycling collection. If not, you could either contract with a private recycling/refuse collection company, or self-haul recyclable materials directly to a recycling facility using event volunteers.

Need help?

The Montgomery County SORRT (Smart Organizations Reduce and Recycle Tons) Progam is ready to help you. We provide technical assistance, educational materials, guidance, and support for your recycling efforts. Call 240-777-6400 or visit our Web site at www.montgomerycountymd.gov/recycling.

Is Your Recycling Program Ready for the Summer?



Recycling at your pool

Remember to set-up a recycling program at your community or neighborhood pool this summer. Recycling is required by law and clearly labeled containers for recyclable materials must be provided on-site. In addition, recycling containers must be placed next to any vending machine that dispenses food and beverages in recyclable packaging. Work with your waste collection company to include recycling collection services as part of your service contract. The Division of Solid Waste Services can provide labels for recycling containers and training and education to all staff. For assistance, call the Division's SORRT Program at 240-777-6400.

To join SORRT or learn more about business recycling, call Gabriela Monzon-Reynolds,
Program Manager for Montgomery County's SORRT Program.
240-777-6400 • 240-777-6442 (TTY) • 240-777-6465 (FAX) • E-mail: recycle@montgomerycountymd.gov

VISIT US AT OUR WEB SITE: www.montgomerycountymd.gov/recycling



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